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## A School Boy's Letter.

John Quill gets out of the following neat burlesque in the New York Sunday Dispatch:  
BIRCHTOWN ACADEMY, Sept. 20.  
Dear Pop.—I am getting along first rate at the school, and I like it very much, all except Whacks, the assistant—"Old Beeswax," we call him—and we are down on him like a pile driver, all us boys, for he's ignorant. Why, he's so ignorant he don't know a blackboard from a dark night, no, he don't, and Bill Ferguson he put a torpedo under each leg of old Beeswax's chair yesterday, and when he sat down (you see he sets down like he had ballast in him) why the torpedoes then exploded, and liked to blowed him through the roof. Golly, but wasn't he scared! He looked at the almanac to make sure it wasn't the Fourth of July, and then he came down, looking mad, and licked Bill like blazes. But Bill said he didn't care a cent, and the next time he would sprinkle gunpowder in his hair, and bust his old frontispiece off of him.

Dr. Georgies, he's a nice enough old feller, only he will sit and chew gum drops right before us boys, and never say "take some," once. He wears green specs, and Bill Ferguson he called him "old four eyes" one day, which the doctor he heard Bill say it, and he nailed him and dragged him up to the desk, and then he gave us a lecture, and said there was once a boy he knew, and he was about Bill's size, who insulted a grey-haired old man, and called him wicked names, and the next day—the very next morning—the boy's mother died of inflammatory rheumatism and his sister broke out with buboes.

Bill, he cried, while the doctor held him by the shirt collar, but he winked at the boys as he came away, and wrote on a piece of paper, and threw it over to me that he thought the doctor was "a blower," and he daresent hit a boy of his size.

I want some new books very much, about ten of them, and they will cost eight dollars.—Please send the money for them. Don't send the books, for the doctor likes to buy them here.

I don't want any money for taffy or marbles, for I don't care about them; but be sure not to send anything but the money for the books. I am in good health. I was taken sick last week, and had a sore eye for a few days, but it is now well.

We were playing mumbley peg out on the grass, and Bill Ferguson he grabbed my knife. I told him he better give that knife up or I would tell you and get you to lick him when he came down, and he said he could lick you and a dozen like you, and then he dared me to knock a chip off his shoulder.

And Jack McGinnis he dashed me against him, and that knocked the chip off, and Bill he struck me over the nose three or four times, and said he'd "bust me on the snout if I didn't dry up," for I couldn't help crying, and I was taken sick, and couldn't go to school at all that day.

And the doctor he looked Bill up in the garret; but he didn't care, for he clumb out on the roof, and was chasing around after tomatoes, up and down, almost all the morning, and pulling plastering out of the chimney to throw at people in the street.

Give my love to all at home, and don't forget the money for the books.  
Bill is about fourteen; do you think he can lick you?

Please send that money, and believe me your affectionate son,  
M. R. WILKINS.  
P. S.—Don't forget to send the money for those books.

**VIRGINIA LANDS.**—It is, perhaps, no exaggeration to say that one-half of our lands can be bought upon the most reasonable terms. The other half is probably under cultivation, but not more than half tilled. We have a population of a little over a million, when there is ample room for from ten to fifteen millions. A New York Journal, the Utica Herald, says: "Millions of rich acres, within two days' ride by steam," invite the unemployed working men of the North. It adds:

"There is always a large demand for the products which Virginia, and half a score of States besides, yield in abundance. Though this demand exists, the lands lie idle, and those who should till and possess them are suffering for the necessities of life. The requirement is to bring the laborers to the land. To that end, information relative to desirable localities should be everywhere diffused and special aid given if necessary. It is certain that thousands of people are every month finding homes on our uncultivated territories. What thousands do, other thousands can as well perform. If labor were properly distributed, there need be not a case of want in the country."

There are numerous land agencies in the State, and some of them have manifested a most commendable degree of activity, and yet there seems to be some defect in the means they adopt to operate upon those desiring to settle among us. The defect manifestly exists in the failure to advertise to a sufficient extent. If they would succeed in effecting sales, these agencies must advertise more liberally. Our newspapers are doing all they can to help them, and in a great measure at their own expense. But they cannot afford to do everything without some return.—*Rich. Whig.*

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WASHINGTON ST., NEAR KING,  
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Jan 31-1m

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Attends Courts in the counties of Loudoun, Fauquier, Alexandria and the adjoining counties.  
Jan 30-3m

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nov 20-tf

**JULIUS DIENELT,** LAYTOR S. BELL,  
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**NEURALGIA,**  
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DISEASES.  
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It is an UNFAILING REMEDY in all cases of Neuralgia Facialis, often effecting a perfect cure in less than twenty-four hours, from the use of no more than two or three PILLS.  
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HOUGH & RAMSAY,  
147, King street.

**FLOUR! FLOUR!**  
200 bbls Loudoun Mills Family and Extra Flour; 50 bbls Staunton Extra; 40 bbls Georgetown Superfine, for sale by  
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Flour and Sugar Buckets, Cedar and Painted Tubs, received and for sale by  
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COAL OIL,  
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300 Gold Hunting Duplex Watches, 150 to 200  
500 Gold Hunting American Watches, 100 to 200  
500 Silver Hunting Levers, 50 to 150  
500 Silver Hunting Duplexes, 75 to 250  
500 Gold Ladies' Watches, 50 to 250  
1,000 Gold Hunting Levers, 50 to 75  
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5,000 Assorted Watches, all kinds, 10 to 75  
Every patron obtains a Watch by this arrangement, costing but \$10, while it may be worth \$100. No partiality shown.

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